

This Sunday, December 10, 2017

In The Well:

The Light - Guide
St. John 8:12 & 12:46

Traditional Worship

Sermon:

The Light - Guide
St. John 8:12 & 12:46

This Week's Prayer Focus:
Preparing ourselves for the Savior



Through Our Gifts

2017 Operating Budget \$1,237,038.52
Total Received 12/3/17 \$20,843.27
Total Received For 2017 as of 12/3/17: \$975,221.45
Total E-Giving Received For 2017 as of 12/3/17: \$39,075.22

Through our Presence
Worship - 426
Sunday School - 251



Advent Calendar - EVERYONE is invited to pick up a White Christmas Advent Calendar from the United Methodist Children's Home! It is a "scratch off" calendar which offers a fun & meaningful way to participate in preparing for Jesus' birth! Located in the Narthex, Bell Tower, Pratt Hall & in the church office! Take some for your neighbors & friends too!

Children's Christmas Choir Program

The Children's Christmas Choir Program will be on 12/10 at 5:30pm in the sanctuary! Please join your FUMC family as we enjoy this special time of worship through music!

Wednesday, December 13th

The Children's Ministry will join the adults & youth in Pratt Hall for a time of fellowship & caroling. There will be no regular Wednesday night classes on this night. Please come & share in the joy of the Holiday season!

Join the Children's Ministry in a time of service!

All children & their parents are invited to go to The Harbor at Hickory Hill to spread some Christmas Joy! We will meet at the church at 2pm December 17th & go as a group to sing & deliver Christmas items to the residents! Sign up in the church office or by email slewis@prattvillemethodist.org.

JOINT SUNDAY SCHOOL

On these days during the holiday season, all children ages 4 through 6th grade will meet in the gym (EPW 101) for joint Sunday School: 12/24 & 12/31

Children's Ministry 2018 Winter Retreat!

Who: 3rd - 5th graders
When: February 2-4, 2018
Where: Blue Lake Assembly

What: Grab your friends & come enjoy a weekend of camp activities, great Bible studies, fun, fellowship & more!

How much: \$125 for campers (\$115 early bird pricing) & \$75 for adults
Sign up at www.bluelakecamp.com if interested or sign up in the church office!

COMING IN 2018!!!!

****Boys Bible Study****
3-5 grades
Fox's Pizza
Tuesdays 3:45-4:45

****Girls Bible Study****
3-5 grades
Panera Bread
Mondays 3:45-4:45

Announcements

Poinsettias - Poinsettias may be placed in the sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one or friend. Flowers may be picked up after the 7:00pm service on Christmas Eve or the following week. Small poinsettias are \$14 each & large are \$23. Call the church office to place your order.

Chili Sale! - The Genesis Singers are selling chili to be picked up on Sunday, January 7th, after the morning services. You have the choice of purchasing quarts of frozen or hot chili. Each quart is \$10. Please see a member of the Genesis Singers Youth Choir after services & on Wednesday nights in Pratt Hall to purchase your chili!

Backpack Food Boxes for Christmas - There are still a number of foodboxes left. Please call Luann at 391-7184 to sign up & receive your numbers, shopping list & instructions. Be a blessing to those in need & receive a joyous Christmas blessing yourself!

Early Learning Academy Christmas Program - The ELA will have their annual Christmas program on Tuesday, December 19th at 6:00pm. All are welcome to join us in the sanctuary for this precious time!



December Calendar:

13th - 50 Forward Singers to Charlton Place at 10am

14th - Visits with homebound members at 2pm

18th - Trip to Governor's Mansion at 5pm

SAM members will visit our homebound members & deliver Christmas presents for them on December 14h at 2:00pm. Please participate in this meaningful activity.

All seats on the bus & van for the Governor's Mansion trip on the 18th are taken. Please be at the church by 5:00pm to load up for the ride.



Attention: Church services are filmed and broadcast via the Internet, and photographs of church attendees may be displayed in printed publications or in electronic format such as on church websites or social media pages.



Thank you to everyone who served God through our Advent Mission Festival. Together we made nearly 500 items to be distributed to those in need in our area, enjoyed fellowship around a meal, and brought in the Holy season of Advent with a time of worship led by our handbell choir. What a wonderful night!